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Contract

Element Avanti

University Of Edinburgh

F03: Contract award notice
Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-003074
Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d746
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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.ed.ac.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Element Avanti

Reference number

NCA21304

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 42931100 - Laboratory centrifuges and accessories

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This purchase builds on the University and its Genetics Core expertise in near-to-clinic genomics, current experience of working with technology, our hosted biobank and already in place embedded genomic automation. The implementation of the equipment will significantly impact ongoing and future research projects. For example, it will facilitate the investigation of genomic variation in funded, and future, projects of structurally-diverse tumour types of unmet need.

The Genetics Core requires a short-read sequencing platform that has the ability to sequence low-diversity libraries without the need to add in large amounts of PhiX (more than 5%) to artificially introduce base diversity. It needs to be able to work with single cell platforms, especially 10x Genomics and Parse, and be able to run any combination of their barcodes for these experiments. It needs to have the ability to work with low to medium sample numbers (two to twelve) while maintaining high quality data and throughput. The chosen system in the Element AVITI is the only system on the market that can fulfil this requirement.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £290,640

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 42931100 - Laboratory centrifuges and accessories

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Main site or place of performance

University of Edinburgh

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:

  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

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IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCA21348

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Elemental

Derry

Derry

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+44 00000000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN0A - Derry City and Strabane

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £290,640

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:789217)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sherriff Court

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom